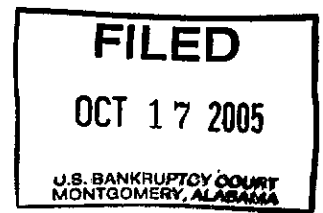


**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA**



**ADOPTION OF INTERIM BANKRUPTCY RULES**

Whereas, on April 20, 2005, the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 (the Act) was enacted into law; and

Whereas, most provisions of the Act are effective on October 17, 2005;  
and

Whereas, the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules has prepared Interim Rules designed to implement the substantive and procedural changes mandated by the Act; and

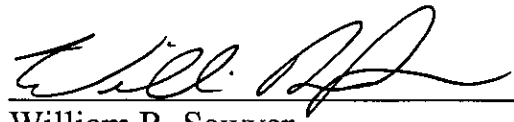
Whereas, the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Judicial Conference of the United States has also approved these Interim Rules and recommends the adoption of the Interim Rules to provide uniform procedures for implementing the Act; and

Whereas, the general effective date of the Act has not provided sufficient time to promulgate rules after appropriate public notice and an opportunity for comment;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. section 2071, Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Rule 9029 of the Federal Rules of

Bankruptcy Procedure, the attached Interim Rules are adopted in their entirety without change by a majority of the judges of this Court to be effective October 17, 2005, to conform with the Act. For cases and proceedings not governed by the Act, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Rules of this Court, other than the Interim Rules, shall apply. The Interim Rules shall remain in effect until further order of the court.

Done this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

  
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William R. Sawyer  
Chief Judge, Middle District of Alabama